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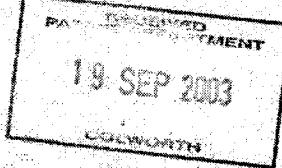
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The attached opinion reveals that the application or the invention to which it relates appear not to meet the requirements of the Convention (see comments on enclosed Form 2906).

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Claims, No.:

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- The following document (D1,D2,D3) are referred to in this communication; the numbering will be adhered to in the rest of the procedure:

D1: EP-A-1 281 395 (OREAL) 5 February 2003 (2003-02-05)

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D3: US-A-5 721 313 (YEUNG DOMINIC WAI-KWING ET AL) 24 February 1998 (1998-02-24)

I - Clarity (Article 84 EPC)

a - Claim 1 is not supported by the description as required by Article 84 EPC, as its scope is broader than justified by the description. The reasons therefore are the following: present claim 1 relates to an extremely large number of possible products defined as "personal care composition". Support within the meaning of Article 84 EPC and/or disclosure within the meaning of Article 83 EPC is to be found, however, for only a very small proportion of the products claimed, i.e. hair styling compositions. Hence, claim 1 is not supported by the description as required by Article 84 EPC.

- As far as the claimed subject-matter can be understood, the following is to noted concerning novelty and inventive step:

II - Novelty (Article 54(1),(2) EPC)

- The subject-matter of present claims 1,2,5-18 is not new for the following reasons (Article



54(1),(2) EPC:

- Document D1 refers to an hair styling composition comprising an ABA block copolymer wherein the A group are built up from an ethylenically unsaturated polymerisable monomer and the B group is derived from an ethylenically unsaturated carboxylate and, a cosmetically acceptable diluent or carrier (Cf. D1, page 2, paragraph 1; page 2, paragraph 8-page 3, paragraph 15; page 4, paragraph 26-page 33; page 9, paragraph 36-paragraph 37).

The subject-matter described in document D1 takes away novelty of present claims 1,2,5-18.

● - Document D2 describes an emulsion polymer for use in hair styling composition comprising an ABA block copolymer wherein the A group are built up from an ethylenically unsaturated polymerisable monomer and the B group is derived from an ethylenically unsaturated carboxylate and, a cosmetically acceptable diluent or carrier (Cf. D2, page 1, lines 5-8; page 2, line 15-page 3, line 15; page 4, line 8-page 5, line 7; claims 1-19).

The subject-matter described in document D2 takes away novelty of present claims 1,2,5-18.

● - Document D3 refers a crosslinked polymer composition for use in cosmetic comprising an ABA block copolymer wherein the A group are built up from an ethylenically unsaturated polymerisable monomer and the B group is derived from an ethylenically unsaturated carboxylate and, a cosmetically acceptable diluent or carrier (Cf. D3, column 1, lines 30-57; column 2, lines 27-52).

The subject-matter described in document D3 takes away novelty of present claims 1,2,5-9,12,14,15.

III - Inventive step (Article 56 EPC)

- Although apparently novel, the remaining subject-matter which is the subject-matter of present claims 3,4 is not considered inventive for the following reasons (Article 56 EPC):

Document D1, which is considered as the closest prior art, describes a hair styling composition comprising an ABA block copolymer wherein the A group are built up from an ethylenically unsaturated polymerisable monomer and the B group is derived from an ethylenically unsaturated carboxylate and, a cosmetically acceptable diluent or carrier (Cf. D1, page 2, paragraph 1; page 2, paragraph 8-page 3, paragraph 15; page 4, paragraph



26-page 33; page 9, paragraph 36-paragraph 37).

- The problem to be solved by the present application appears to obtain hair care compositions containing styling polymers that can perform under conditions of high humidity (see application on page 1, lines 18-23).
- The solution proposed in the present application is to provide a composition comprising a polymer comprising an ABA block copolymer, wherein the A group are built up from an ethylenically unsaturated polymerisable monomer and the B group is derived from an ethylenically unsaturated carboxylate and, a cosmetically acceptable diluent or carrier (see application, on page 3, lines 12-18 and claim 1).
- The subject-matter of present claims 4,5 is a matter of normal design procedure and would therefore be an obvious design possibility for the skilled person in order to solve the problem posed. Therefore, no inventive step is present in the subject-matter of present claims 4,5 (Article 56 EPC).

The applicant is invited to file a set of amended claims taking into account the comments made above.

The applicant is requested to effect the amendments by filing replacement pages for only those pages which have been amended. Unnecessary recasting of the description should be avoided. An amended abstract is not required. The applicant should also take account of the requirements of Rule 36(1) EPC. If handwritten amendments are submitted, they should be clearly legible for the printer. According to the decision of the President of the EPO under Rule 35(2) EPC (OJ EPO 12/2001, 563) one set of the amended documents of the European patent application shall be provided.

When filing amended claims the applicant should at the same time bring the description into conformity with the amended claims. Care should be taken during revision, especially of the introductory portion and any statements of problem or advantage, not to add subject-matter which extends beyond the content of the application as originally filed (Article 123(2) EPC).